The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

this is basically a bad idea. it lets phone companies and cable companies get bigger and run local isp's out of business.

the effect of this will be lessened access at higher prices.

ultimately many individuals will be priced out of access to the internet which their tax dollars helped to build in the first place.